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Title: METHOD FOR DETECTING HEMOLYSIS  
Inventors: Vadiraja Murthy and Edward R. Burns  
Our File: 96700/341

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a Continuing Prosecution Application of U.S. Appn. No. 08/746,635 in the names of Vadiraja Murthy and Edward R. Burns, entitled METHOD FOR DETECTING HEMOLYSIS, including the following:

1. Continuing Prosecution Application (CPA) Request Transmittal (2 copies);
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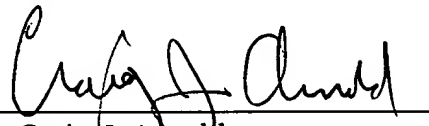
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